



## ***Next Steps NH Project Overview***

### ***Phase 1 – Project Planning***

- Project orientation with Cohort Schools:
  - Regional Intermediaries, Parent Information Center and Next Step NH Project Staff introduced
  - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) completed
- Project Teams developed (work done by Teams informs the action planning of the project):
  - School Leadership Teams developed
  - Family Engagement Group/Team developed and meetings scheduled on ongoing basis
  - Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO) Group/Team developed and meetings scheduled
  - RENEW (Rehabilitation for Empowerment, Natural supports, Education, and Work) team developed (If RENEW selected)
- Self-Assessment Tools Completed:
  - Transition Focused Education Framework Fidelity Tool completed (Fall and Spring)
  - ELO Fidelity Tool completed (Fall and Spring)
  - ELO Characteristic Database Tool completed (Fall) updated on ongoing basis
  - ELO Teacher and Student Surveys conducted ongoing basis
  - Data review conducted (i.e. EWS, graduation rate/dropout rate, etc.)
  - Family Focus Groups conducted
  - RENEW Integrity Tool (If RENEW selected)
- Identify Program Structures (School/District Policies, Procedures, Scheduling, etc)
- Action Planning process begins (Informed by data collection)
- Professional Development Conducted
  - Student-driven Transition Practices and Planning
  - Family Engagement conducted

- ELO trainings conducted
  - RENEW training conducted (If RENEW selected)
- Access to Transition Resource Portal – Website that houses all tools and resources developed as part of the Next Steps NH project. (Student resources, parent resources, educator resources)

## ***Phase 2 – Project Implementation & Sustainability***

- Training, Implementation, Coaching and Sustainability
- Professional Development Opportunities (Select from the following based on alignment with action plan):
    - Transition Assessment: Knowing the Options
    - Promoting Self-Determination: What Are the Options?
    - Engaging Students and Families in Transition Assessment and Student-Led IEPs
    - Planning For Life After High School
    - Dual Capacity Framework as a Compass for Family Partnerships
    - Interagency Collaboration Toolkit
    - Other training developed to address specific needs identified in action plan
- Coaching Opportunities
- Ongoing coaching with Regional Intermediary based on needs
  - ELO Coaching (development, design, implementation, etc)
  - Family Engagement Coaching and Empowerment
  - RENEW Coaching (If RENEW selected)
- Program Structures
- Strategic Planning
  - Program Evaluation
  - Resource Allocations
- Implementation of Action Plan
- Ongoing self-assessment informs plan
- Sustainability
- Professional Development
    - School leadership team participates in sustainability training and networking with other Cohort schools.

- Transition Resource Portal [www.NextStepsNH.org](http://www.NextStepsNH.org) – Website that houses all tools and resources developed as part of the Next Steps NH project. (Student resources, parent resources, educator resources)
- Other transition resources available outside of the project:
  - State Community of Practice (CoP) and Regional CoP Involvement
  - Fall – Annual State Community of Practice for Secondary Transition Summit
  - The Transition Coalition - <http://transitioncoalition.org/transition/index.php>  
The Transition Coalition provides FREE research-based online training for professionals and others involved in transition planning.
  - State ELO Coordinators Group – contact Sheila Ward ([sward@pittsfieldnhschools.org](mailto:sward@pittsfieldnhschools.org)) for more information